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**SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.**

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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# Memorandum

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DATE 12-3-82 BY SP4 JAM/ld  
6576 DATE November 2, 1964

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - COMMUNIST

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner

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By telephone calls from our Atlanta Office 10:45 a.m. and 11:40 a.m., today (11-2-64), we learned of the following information through a highly sensitive source. Martin Luther King, Jr., just learned this morning of a campaign which has been initiated to encourage people to vote for King for president as a write-in candidate 11-3-64. The campaign is taking several forms, including telegrams being sent to Negroes throughout the country; efforts to gain radio time to urge people to vote for King; and the circulation of handbills in larger cities encouraging a vote for King. The handbills reveal distribution by "Committee for Negroes in the Government," Louisville, Kentucky. (No record this organization Bufiles.)

According to our source, King interpreted the actions described above as an obvious attempt to cancel out the Negro vote and to confuse Negroes in their voting. King believes that the campaign was initiated by Goldwater forces because any votes for King by Negroes would obviously diminish the number of such votes for President Johnson.

King held an immediate press conference in Atlanta, Georgia, this morning in which he told the press of the foregoing and denied having any connection with the campaign. He urged people not to pay any attention to the efforts to have people vote for him.

ACTION:

The foregoing information was immediately telephonically furnished to Mr. DeLoach's Office so that he might alert the White House. This is for your immediate attention. Letters to the White House and to the Acting Attorney General are being expeditiously prepared.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT : MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: October 31, 1964

- 1 - Belmont
- 1 - Sullivan
- 1 - Bland
- 1 - Baumgardner

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By radiogram dated 10-30-64 the Atlanta Office advised it had received information on that date that Martin Luther King's secretary informed King of a message from Clarence Jones to the effect that Jones and their "mutual friend" want to come to Atlanta to meet with King on the earliest weekend possible. King said that he was desirous of having this meeting with Jones and their "mutual friend."

As you know, Jones is the intermediary used by King to maintain contact with Stanley Levison who is usually described by the term "mutual friend."

Although King is scheduled to be in Baltimore Saturday, 10-31-64, we have no information as to whether he plans to return to Atlanta from Baltimore and, since we are desirous of establishing, wherever possible, evidence of the continuing relationship between King and Levison, Special Agent in Charge Joseph K. Ponder in Atlanta was contacted this date and told to alert their sources for the possibility that King might return to Atlanta this weekend and to be alert to a possible meeting between King and Levison in Atlanta this weekend. In addition, Security Supervisor [REDACTED] of the New York Office was contacted and instructed to have discreet spot checks made in an effort to determine if either Jones or Levison leave New York this weekend and, if so, to attempt to determine their mode of travel so that Atlanta can be advised.

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RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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November 3, 1964

BY LIAISON

Honorable Bill D. Moyers  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Bland

Dear Mr. Moyers:

A confidential source of this Bureau who has furnished reliable information in the past supplied the following information on November 2, 1964:

On the morning of November 2, 1964, Martin Luther King, Jr., at Atlanta, Georgia, learned of a campaign which had been initiated to encourage people to vote for him as a write-in candidate for President of the United States during the election on November 3, 1964. The campaign was to take several forms, including telegrams to Negroes throughout the country; efforts to gain radio time to urge people to vote for King; and the circulation of handbills in large cities encouraging a vote for King.

According to this Bureau's source, King interpreted the actions described above as an obvious attempt to cancel out the Negro vote and to confuse Negroes in their voting. King expressed the belief that the campaign was initiated by Goldwater forces on the basis that any votes for King by Negroes would obviously lessen the number of such votes for President Lyndon B. Johnson. King held a press conference in Atlanta on the morning of November 2, 1964, at which he reportedly told the press of the foregoing and denied having any connection with the campaign on his behalf. At this conference he urged people not to pay any attention to the efforts being expended to have people vote for him.

This information is also being furnished to officials of the Department of Justice.

Sincerely yours,

100-106670

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Mr. Tolson  
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Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Bishop  
Mr. Casper  
Mr. Callahan  
Mr. Conrad  
Mr. Felt  
Mr. Gale  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Sullivan  
Mr. Tavel  
Mr. Trotter  
Tele. Room  
Miss Holmes  
Miss Gandy

FBI CHICAGO

10:03PM CST URGENT 10-30-64 DRG

TO: DIRECTOR (100-106670), ATLANTA AND BALTIMORE

FROM: CHICAGO (100-35355) 1 P

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SMC

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[REDACTED], ADVISED THIS AM THAT KING MISSED SCHEDULED FLIGHT OUT OF CHICAGO THIS AM AND THEREAFTER CHARTERED PRIVATE PLANE FOR HIMSELF AND FIVE OTHERS TO BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, TIME OF ARRIVAL IN BALTIMORE AND PURPOSE OF TRAVEL AS WELL AS ULTIMATE DESTINATION NOT KNOWN TO

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MILITARY AND SECRET SERVICE ADVISED.

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1239 AM CST URGENT 10-30-64 EH  
TO DIRECTOR (100-106670) AND ATLANTA  
FROM CHICAGO (100-35356) 1P

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SMC.

RE CHICAGO TEL OCTOBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST. U

[REDACTED] b7(D) [REDACTED] b7(C)

[REDACTED], ADVISED OCTOBER TWENTYNINE LAST, THAT  
NO INCIDENTS OR DISTURBANCES TOOK PLACE IN CONNECTION WITH  
THE APPEARANCE IN CHICAGO OF KING, YESTERDAY. CHICAGO  
POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS PROVIDED OFFICERS TO ACCOMPANY KING  
DURING HIS WAKING HOURS. KING SCHEDULED TO DEPART CHICAGO  
AM OF OCTOBER THIRTY INSTANT, EXACT TIME AND DESTINATION UNKNOWN.  
MILITARY AND SECRET SERVICE ADVISED. CHICAGO FOLLOWING. U  
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TO DIRECTOR, ---3--- FBI AND ATLANTA

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FROM NEW YORK

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ATLANTA FILE ONE HUNDRED DASH FIVE FIVE EIGHT SIX.

NEW YORK FILE ONE HUNDRED DASH ONE THREE SIX FIVE EIGHT FIVE.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JUNIOR., SM- C

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ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S)  
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[REDACTED] REPORTED THAT SHORTLY BEFORE ONE PM STANLEY LEVISON ATTEMPTED TO UNSUCCESSFULLY CONTACT CLARENCE JAMES BY TELEPHONE AT JONES RESIDENCE. LATER JONES CONTACTED HIS RESIDENCE AND ADVISED HE WOULD BE HOME FOUR DASH FOUR THIRTY PM.

FROM ABOVE IT APPEARS THAT BOTH LEVINSON AND JONES ARE IN NYC. INFORMANT DID NOT FURNISH ANY INFORMATION INDICATING THAT JONES OR LEVINSON ARE PLANNING TO LEAVE TOWN.

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The Acting Attorney General

November 2, 1964

Director, FBI

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General

1 - Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

1 - Mr. Burke Marshall  
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The Acting Attorney General

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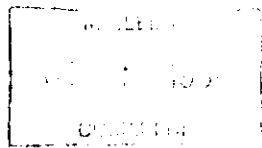
Dear [Redacted]

Your letter of October 26th has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. I regret I am unable to be of help in this instance but trust you will understand the necessary reasons for this policy. It is hoped you will not infer either that we do or do not have data in our files relating to the individual you mentioned.

OCT 29 4 46 PM '64  
FBI

Enclosed is literature I trust will be of interest.



Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

- Enclosures (5)
- Communism--The Incredible Swindle
- Counterintelligence Activities
- "Faith in Freedom"
- Let's Fight Communism Sane!
- One Nation's Response to Communism

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105-2, 1947

-- I hope Mr. [redacted] over

If it is not out of order for me  
 to say you, I would like to know  
 if Mr. [redacted] is a member of  
 the [redacted] Board. I am a Communist.  
 The reason I am asking is because  
 I would just like to know for my-  
 self, I have some questions about  
 being one. It seems to me that  
 did I know the way he handles  
 the way he handles the civil  
 rights demonstration, it is  
 right in being [redacted] I don't want  
 to be wrong about it. I am  
 not interested in your [redacted]  
 I am not interested in any sort  
 of disturbance, but I am [redacted]  
 Bernard. I don't want to see it for  
 any other purpose but to know  
 the truth, for I feel there should  
 not be some people here and  
 my people. I want to know your  
 if you are fit to be [redacted]  
 for my [redacted] [redacted] please  
 for I am for [redacted] and [redacted]  
 justice, and thank you in  
 advance.

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[REDACTED] Eastley, S. C.  
Oct. 26, 1964

Dear Mr. Hoover

If it is not out of order for me to ask you, I would like to know if, Martin Luther King is really a card-carrying communist.

The reason I am asking is because I would just like to know for myself, I hear so much about him being one. It seems to me that he did deserve the Nobel prize for the way he handle the civil rights demonstration, if he is right in doing that. I dont want to be wrong or misled so I am just asking for my own information.

I am not enterested in any sort of disturbances, but I am concerned. I dont want to use it for any other purpose but to know the truth. for I feel there should not be so much prejudice against any people. I want use your answer if you see fit to give it, other than for my own information, please for I am for peace, order, and justice. Am thanking you in advance.

RETURN TO

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Eastley, S. C.

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1210PM CST URGENT 10-28-64 JAZ  
TO DIRECTOR (100-106670) AND ATLANTA  
FROM CHICAGO (100-35356) P-2

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SM DASH C.

RE CHICAGO AIRTEL OCT. NINE LAST CAPTIONED QUOTE ANNUAL  
JOHN F. KENNEDY AWARDS DINNER, SPONSORED BY CATHOLIC INTER  
DASH RACIAL COUNCIL, CHICAGO, OCT. TWENTY NINE, NINETEEN  
SIXTY FOUR, RACIAL MATTERS UNQUOTE, ENCLOSING LHM. b7(D)

[REDACTED]

ADVISED AT TEN FORTY FIVE A.M. THIS DATE THAT MARTIN LUTHER  
KING WILL ARRIVE CHICAGO OCT. TWENTY NINE NEXT TO RECEIVE  
JOHN F. KENNEDY AWARD FROM CATHOLIC INTER DASH RACIAL  
COUNCIL ON THAT DATE. KING EXPECTED TO ARRIVE PRIOR TO  
ELEVEN A.M. OCT. TWENTY NINE AND MOTORCADE OF FIFTEEN TO  
TWENTY CARS WILL FORM AND TRAVEL EXTENSIVE ROUTE THROUGHOUT  
SOUTH SIDE AND NEAR NORTH SIDE OF CHICAGO, TERMINATING  
APPROXIMATELY FOUR P.M.

KING'S DEPARTURE DATE AND TIME UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME  
BUT DUE TO LATENESS OF AWARDS DINNER POLICE EXPECT HIM TO  
SPEND NIGHT OF OCT. TWENTY NINE AND TO DEPART MORNING  
OCT. THIRTY NEXT.

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DURING COURSE OF MOTORCADE TRIP KING EXPECTED TO DELIVER  
SHORT TALKS AT POINTS WHERE CROWDS MAY GATHER. POLICE  
ANTICIPATE NO DISTURBANCE.

DETAILS FURNISHED MILITARY AUTHORITIES AND U.S. SECRET  
SERVICE THIS DATE.

CHICAGO FOLLOWING AND WILL FURNISH DEVELOPMENTS. LHM  
FOLLOWS.

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Long Beach, California 90805

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of October 21st, with enclosure,  
has been received.

In response to your inquiries, I must point out  
that information contained in the files of the FBI is confidential  
and available only for official use pursuant to regulations of the  
Department of Justice. I trust you will understand my inability  
to be of assistance.

I am returning the leaflet you enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. His enclosure was  
a leaflet entitled "Martin Luther King.... At Communist Training School."  
King is shown in a picture with members of the Communist Party.

The Augusta Courier is published weekly by Roy V. Harris.  
It is rabidly segregationist and has been critical of  
the Bureau in the past.

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- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. DeLoach
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Bishop
- Mr. Casper
- Mr. Callahan
- Mr. Conrad
- Mr. Felt
- Mr. Gale
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Sullivan
- Mr. Tavel
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- Tele. Room
- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

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October 21, 1964

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a circular attributed to The Augusta Courier, July 8, 1963, purporting to show Dr. Martin Luther King in a Communist training meeting at the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tennessee, in 1957.

I have heard of this story before but have been unable to verify its accuracy or falsity. Could you help me?

Is it true that this is Martin Luther King and was this a Communist training meeting? If so, what was he doing there? And who are the other men pictured, Karl Krusiec, Abner W. Berry, Aubrey Williams, and Nyles Norton? Are they correctly identified on this circular? And what was or is the Highlander Folk School?

Also what is The Augusta Courier and what is the group Alert Americans Association?

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Our laymen often ask questions about Dr. King, and I would like to know how to answer the accusation that "he is a Communist."

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours truly,  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442,825)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-158705)  
SUBJECT: SILENT  
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ADDITIONAL ACTIONS  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP (S) 10/28/84  
DATE 10/28/84

Re NY airtel to you, 1/2/64.

Enclosed are six copies of a letterhead memorandum captioned and dated as above.

The subject was furnished with a copy of the letterhead memorandum with that order.

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- 4-Bureau (100-442,825) (Encl. 6) (CLM)
- 1-New York (100-158705) (R/R L. J. ...)
- 2-Atlanta (100-442,825) (Encl. 2) (CLM)
- 1-New York (100-442,825) (W/PT LUTHER KING, JR.)
- 1-New York (100-442,825) (GEORGE JONES) (CLM)
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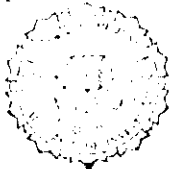
NY indices are negative on Dr. FERDINAND MICHAELSON, except his association with HARRY WACHTEL as an attorney.

This letterhead memorandum is classified "Secret" because it contains information from [REDACTED] sources who have furnished information of a highly sensitive nature with respect to the racial situation in the NY area and the Communist infiltration thereof. In view of this, it is felt necessary that this classification be utilized.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 100-442529

New York, New York  
October 28, 1964

DATE 10/28/64  
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Re: Communist Influence in  
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On October 26, 1964, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he learned that Clarence Jones was in contact with an unidentified woman on that date. The woman, according to the source, discussed with Jones the latest developments concerning the article by Martin Luther King, Jr. (President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)) which is scheduled to appear in the November 3, 1964 issue of "The Saturday Evening Post." She said that King's attorney, "Dr. Michaelson" (Wachtel and Michaelson, Attorneys) wrote a letter to "The Saturday Evening Post" in which he referenced a telegram he had sent to the magazine publisher on October 20, 1964, in behalf of King. According to the source, the text of the telegram is in fact as follows: U

"Confirming telephonic advices by 'us' (Wachtel and Michaelson) this date as attorneys for Martin Luther King, Jr., you have no authority to publish and distribute any materials or articles under the authorship of King. Should you disregard these advices you will be held accountable and responsible for all consequences." U

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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According to the source, the unidentified woman told Jones that the article by King was going to "run without changes." U

In reverting to the letter of Dr. Michaelson, the Woman said it referenced a telephonic agreement between Dr. Michaelson and a Mr. Hunt of "The Saturday Evening Post," which provided that the printing of the article would be held in abeyance, and a new text of the middle section of King's article would be accepted. This agreement was breached and the original text was being printed, according to Michaelson. U

With reference to the consternation over King's article, on October 20, 1964, a second confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Bayard Rustin (Deputy Director of the March on Washington) said the article was, in fact, written by King's attorney (Clarence Jones). He said the article in its original text contained a statement by King that irresponsible leaders took over the civil rights movement following the March on Washington. According to Rustin, King gave permission to print without even reading the article. This statement, if allowed to stand, would cause serious trouble in the civil rights movement, Rustin said. U

According to the woman, Michaelson concluded his letter by stating that in view of the public interest in the subject matter (the article) it was shocking that a responsible periodical could so flagrantly violate its clear agreement, and make light of genuine concern of King. He then demanded that "The Saturday Evening Post" U/

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cease and desist from publishing the November 3, 1964 article or any other under King's name unless they strictly follow the text delivered to Mr. Hunt. He said the magazine would be held accountable for all consequences. L

On October 22, 1964, confidential source number 2 advised that on that date, Rustin and Wachtel were in contact about King's article. In that regard, Wachtel told Rustin to inform King that most of the article was correct and that they (Rustin and Wachtel) had corrected the inaccuracies they had found. X

Jones, in reply to the contents of Michaelson's letter, said, "You can't force a magazine to run the text." He said he did not know who was advising Harry Wachtel, adding that he (Wachtel) did not have a leg to stand on. The unidentified woman replied that the whole thing (the article) had been mismanaged, and that Wachtel was trying to cover himself in the event King was questioned about the article, then Wachtel could say that "we" tried to enjoin the magazine from publishing it. The woman, in conclusion, said she was trying to "kill the article." L

Jones told her that he was trying to get something in writing in case there should be a "backfire" from the article.

Clarence Jones is General Counsel  
to the Gandhi Society for Human  
Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New  
York City. L

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The LYL has been designated pursuant  
to Executive Order 10450.

Harry Wachtel is the Executive Vice-  
President of the Gandhi Society for  
Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street,  
New York City, and resides at 29  
Split Rock Road, Kings Point, Long  
Island, New York.

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A characterization of the NLG is attached. U

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APPENDIX

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the National Lawyers Guild:

- "National Lawyers Guild
- "1. Cited as a Communist front.  
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149.)
  - "2. Cited as a Communist front which 'is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions' and which 'since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents.'  
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally released September 17, 1950.)
  - "3. 'To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the \* \* \* National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection.'  
(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

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In "The Saturday Evening Post", issue of July 11-18, 1964, page 76, Bayard Rustin is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights". In it, Rustin is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party". Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, Rustin gave most of his earnings to the "Party". He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states. . .

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450. . .

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page 1 column 2, reported that Bayard Rustin, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 17th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), held in New York City, on February 9-12, 1957. . .

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958. . .



Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 19, 20, 1964, that Bayard Rustin contacted Benjamin J. Davis on those dates X.

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and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, Davis told Rustin that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which Rustin was to speak. X--

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"The New York Times", August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that Benjamin J. Davis, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964.

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RE:

BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C, D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)  
 FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-23443)  
 SUBJECT: CIRM  
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ReNY AT 10/23/64, and previous airtels concerning travel of MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr., in connection with the forthcoming election. L

For the information of the Bureau and Atlanta, an article appearing in the Baltimore Afro-American of October 27, 1964, sets out that KING will speak in Baltimore, October 31, 1964, at a Saturday afternoon "Get Out The Vote" rally. This article notes this is the only East Coast appearance of KING in his nationwide pre-election tour. He is scheduled to speak at 1:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple located at 1307 W. Rutaw Place, Baltimore. U

- 4 - Bureau (cc 100-108670 MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.)  
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- 2 - Atlanta (cc 100-9588 MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.)  
REGIS. MAIL
- 2 - Baltimore (cc 157-871)

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)  
FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (100-5586)  
SUBJECT : MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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A report on this matter is due at the Bureau on 11/1/64. For the information of the Bureau, the Agent to whom this case is assigned has been in the hospital for surgery, and is presently recuperating. He is expected to return to work on 11/2/64.

Efforts will be made to submit this report at the earliest possible moment.

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**TO :** DIRECTOR, FBI (100-433794)

**FROM :** SAC, CINCINNATI (100-14305) (3)

**SUBJECT:** COMMUNIST  
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, dated 9/10/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and 7 copies of a letter suitable for dissemination.

Two copies of this sent to Atlanta.

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This document should be classified as confidential because it contains information from confidential sources in the Cincinnati area. It is felt this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize informants in furnishing information of this nature and further would injure the security of the United States.

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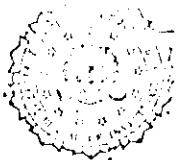
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RE:  
REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN  
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Reference is made to letter dated September 29,  
1964.

On September 29, 1964, [redacted] Cincinnati Police Department, Cincinnati, Ohio, advised a Special Agent of the FBI that a two man, plainclothes detail from the Cincinnati Police Department reported to the Terrace Hilton Hotel at 10:00 AM on September 27, 1964. These two men were in continuous visual contact with Reverend KING until his departure from the Greater Cincinnati Airport by plane at approximately 6:00 PM, September 27, 1964.

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[redacted] advised the detail escorted KING to the Revelation Baptist Church, Bauer and John Streets, Cincinnati, the ROBERT SHROPSHIRE home, 141 Huntington Place, the Music Hall, 1243 Elm Street, and the Greater Cincinnati Airport.

[redacted] advised that a reception was held for Reverend KING at the SHROPSHIRE home with approximately 1,000 people in attendance. Due to the reception, Doctor KING was late in arriving at the Music Hall for his scheduled speech.

[redacted] stated that a group of unknown white individuals picketed the Music Hall, 1243 Elm Street, for 15 or 20 minutes during the speech by KING. He stated no incidents or arrests developed from this demonstration.

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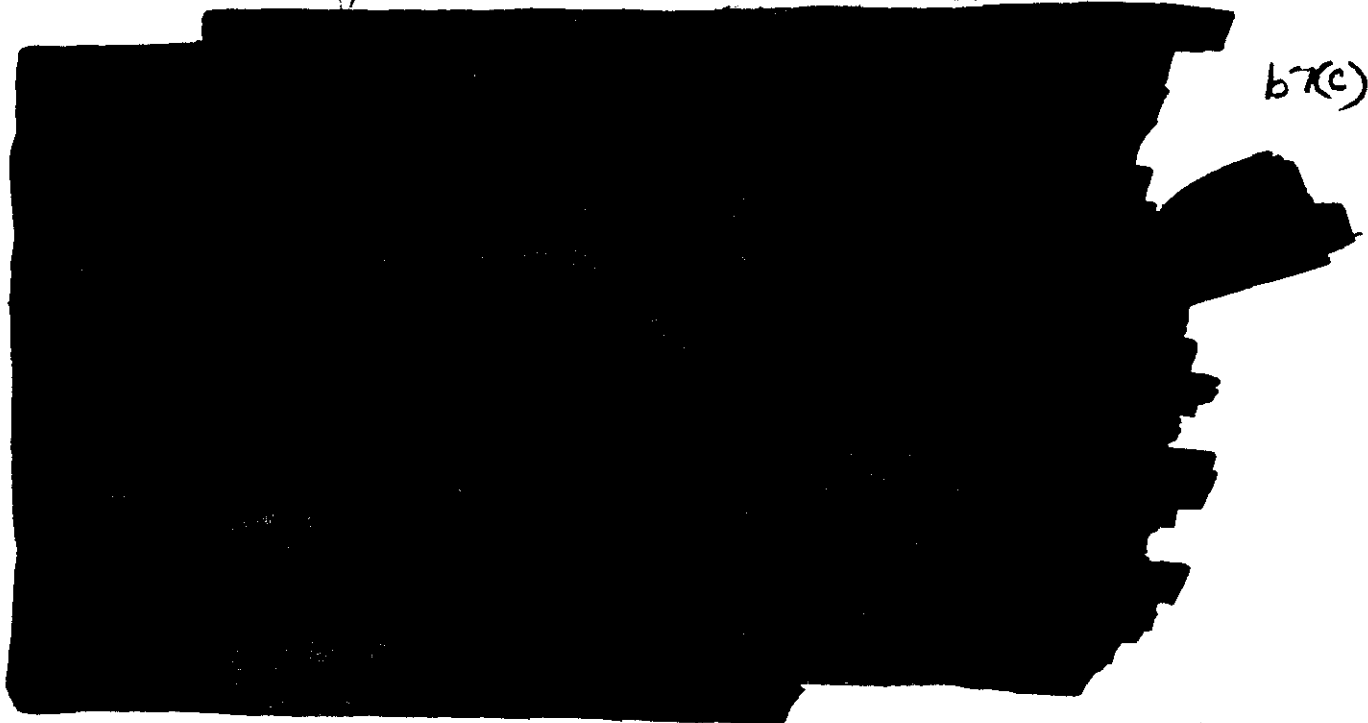
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On October 1, 1964, first confidential source, advised that the National States Rights Party (NSRP) picketed the speech by MARTIN LUTHER KING on September 27, 1964. Source stated 26 pickets carried signs and marched back and forth in front of the Music Hall for approximately 30 minutes from 4:00 to 4:30 PM. One individual carried a sign which read "MARTIN LUTHER COON". Source advised that no incidents occurred during the picketing.

On September 28, 1964, second confidential source advised that Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING attended a reception at the home of ROBERT SHROPSHIRE, 141 Huntington Place, Cincinnati, on September 27, 1964. Source stated SHROPSHIRE has been a successful bondsman in Cincinnati for more than 45 years.



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On September 26, 1964, third confidential source advised that Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING arrived at the Terrace Hilton Hotel accompanied by two car loads of unidentified Negroes. Reverend KING registered for the night without baggage. He was accompanied by his brother, name unknown, and his personal secretary.

Reverend KING spent the night of September 26, 1964, in his room and left the hotel the morning of September 27, 1964, at approximately 10:00 AM.

All sources whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Re Baltimore airtels to Bureau, 8/27/64 and
10/1/64.

On 10/22/64 [redacted] and
[redacted] American Motor Inn,
Roanoke, Va., had their records searched for a folio for
Room 712 of the Holiday Inn (Downtown), Baltimore, Md.,

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- 5-Bureau (RM)
3 - 100-3-116 (CIRM)
1 - 100-438794 (SCLC)
1 - 100-106670 (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
2-New York (RM)
1 - 100-151548 (CIRM)
1 - 100-149194 (SCLC)
3-Atlanta (RM)
1 - 100-6520A (CIRM)
1 - 100-5718 (SCLC)
1 - 100-5586 (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
2-Baltimore (100-23140) (RM)
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for the period of August 20-25, 1964, and advised SA [REDACTED] b7C  
[REDACTED] they could not find a folio for this period reflecting  
a telephone call from Room 712 in an effort to contact  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

A check of the toll telephone calls made from  
Room 712 during pertinent period reflects the following:

A guest named ARRINGTON placed a call to telephone  
number FR 4-1238, Miami, Florida, from Room 712 at 11:24 P. M.  
on August 21, 1964.

ARRINGTON placed a call to an individual named  
WRIGHT at CO 5-2000, Washington at 10:39 A. M., August 22,  
1964 from Room 712.

A guest named ARRINGTON placed a call to an  
individual named HAMPTON at telephone number EL 5-8340,  
Jacksonville, state not shown, at 9:58 A. M., August 22, 1964.

A check of miscellaneous charges reflects a charge  
of \$1.02 was made by a guest named HARRINGTON in Room 712  
on August 21, 1964, for valet service.

[REDACTED] also checked the bills sent to the  
American Motor Inn by the telephone company for the pertinent  
period and could not locate a billing for a telephone call  
made from Room 712 to Atlanta, Georgia, during the pertinent  
period.

[REDACTED] advised since she has not received  
the folio for room 712 for the pertinent period, she believes  
the guest paid his bill by using a credit card, either b7(c)  
American Express or Diners Club or similar card. She advised  
in that event she would not receive the folio until the bill  
has been paid by the credit card company. [REDACTED]  
stated that [REDACTED] Holiday Inn (Downtown),  
Baltimore, Maryland, could check the names ARRINGTON,  
ARRINGTON and HARRINGTON in the guest registration cards,  
which are filed alphabetically and the folio number should  
be recorded on the guest registration card, and from this  
information, he should be able to find the folio. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] explained the folios are an 8 x 5 card in triplicate.  
The motel retains the heavy paper card, one is used for billing  
the credit card company and the third is sent to her after the  
bill is paid.

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For information of the Bureau, [REDACTED] stated she was employed by the Bureau as a Clerk in 1947 and 1948 in the Identification Division and her sister is still employed by the Bureau.

[REDACTED] is well known to the Resident Agents at Roanoke, Va., and is extremely cooperative.

LEADS:

BALTIMORE

AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND. Recontact [REDACTED] and check records as suggested by [REDACTED]

ATLANTA

AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA. Will, if possible, inform Baltimore of exact time and date telephone call was made from Room 712 in an attempt to contact MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)  
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ReNY teletype dated 10/23/64.

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The source who furnished the information in the letterhead memorandum was 

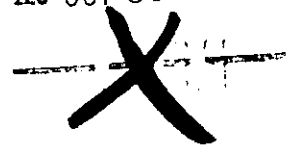


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This letterhead memorandum is classified "Secret" because it contains information from [REDACTED] a source which has furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the New York area and the Communist influence thereof. In light of this it is considered necessary that this classification be utilized.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-43756)  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-16147)  
SUBJECT: AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON AFRICA  
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ReNYteletype captioned CIRM and dated 10/21/64, and Bureau telephone call same date.

Enclosed are 7 copies of a LHM, captioned and dated as above.

The source who furnished the information in the LHM was [REDACTED] b(2) b(7)(D)  
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The files of the NYO failed to furnish sufficient information of a subversive nature to characterize GEORGE HOUSER.

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  - (1 - 100-442529) (CIRM)
  - (1 - 100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
- 2 - Atlanta (Encls. 2) (RM)
  - (1 - 100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
  - (1 - 100-6670) (CIRM)
- 1 - New York (100-153735) (42)
- 1 - New York (100-136535) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.) (42)
- 1 - New York (100-13250) (CLARENCE JONES) (42)
- 1 - New York (105-43756)
- 1 - New York

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October 23, 1964

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Re: American Committee on Africa  
Internal Security - Africa

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 20, 1964, that Clarence Jones and an unidentified woman were in contact on that date. According to the source, Jones was told by the woman that George Houser (Director of the American Committee on Africa) had requested her to contact him about three Africans who are condemned to death. She said they were former members of the African National Congress. She requested Jones contact Martin Luther King, Jr. (President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, (SCLC) and ask him to send the following telegram to the "Honorable C.P. Swart, President of the Republic of South Africa, Pretoria:

"Urgently request Executive Clemency for Messrs. Mini, Kaba, and Khayingo in the name of humanity and according to the United Nations resolution, June 9, 1964.

Signed "Martin Luther King, Jr.  
1964 Nobel Peace Prize  
Winner"

According to the source, the woman also requested that Jones relay to King that he should release the telegram to the press two days subsequent to the date he sends it. She said the adverse publicity (of the telegram) might cause the South African Government to reduce the sentence.

In ending her contact with Jones, the woman said she was also going to ask Roy Wilkins (Executive Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) (NAACP), James Farmer (National Director of the Congress of Racial Equality, CORE), and A. Philip Randolph (President of the Negro American Labor Council, NALC) to send telegrams.

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Re: American Committee on Africa

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Clarence Jones is General Counsel to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York, New York.



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The Labor Youth League has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Selective Directory" of African programs compiled by the United States Department of State and made available on April 13, 1961, lists the ACOA as "A committee of ministers, missionaries, social workers and others interested in influencing American policy toward a greater encouragement of African Nationalism and responsible self government."

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)      DATE: 10/27/64

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-35356)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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ReBulet to Chicago dated 10/19/64.

Referenced communication directs the immediate consideration of the Chicago Division to the possibility of effecting appropriate monitoring of subject's bank account maintained with the Service Federal Savings and Loan, Chicago, Illinois.

After full consideration the Chicago Division recommends that no action be taken to initiate the monitoring of this account. In submitting this recommendation the following points were carefully analyzed and are set forth herewith for the information of the Bureau.

*no action*  
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- 1) The Service Federal Savings and Loan is geographically located in a completely Negro neighborhood, thus making difficult regular contacts with that banking institution on a discreet level.
- 2) The banking institution is entirely staffed with Negro officers and employees. It is patronized solely by Negroes. No established sources are available.
- 3) The entire staff of the Service Federal Savings and Loan is composed of eight or less persons, thus minimizing the possibility of securing a highly responsible source.
- 4) Because of this small number of employees, duties within the institution are not fully handled by one person and thus full control would be questionable.

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 1 - Chicago

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5) In April, 1963, this banking institution was concerned in the matter "Shortage in the Accounts of Service Federal Savings and Loan Association, Chicago, Illinois; FRA" (Bufile 29-33470) (Chicago File 29-2076). A significant development of this inquiry is shown in the fact that the Assistant United States Attorney, Chicago, Illinois, in declining prosecution because of lack of apparent criminal intent, characterized the operation of this institution as poorly managed.

In view of the above the Chicago Division suggests the possibility that maintaining absolute security is highly improbable. The overall operation shows an obvious lack of necessary conditions for maintaining such a monitoring operation on a discreet basis.

In weighing all considerations it is believed the risk of embarrassment to the Bureau is great and should preclude further consideration of such an operation.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI ATTN: CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (157-0)

SUBJECT: TALK BY DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., TEMPLE  
SHOLOM, 3430 NORTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE, CHICAGO,  
ILLINOIS, 10/21/64  
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Remytel 10/21/64.

Submitted herewith as enclosures is original  
and 7 copies of LIM regarding captioned activity.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Chicago, Illinois  
October 22, 1964

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**TALK BY DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
TEMPLE SHOLON  
3430 NORTH LAKE SHORE DRIVE  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
OCTOBER 21, 1964  
RACIAL MATTERS**

Reference is made to the memorandum dated October 15, 1964, at Chicago, Illinois, entitled as above.

[REDACTED]

advised the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that at 8:30 PM that date Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., appeared as a speaker at the Temple Sholon, 3430 North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Illinois. King appeared under auspices on a concert forum committee of that temple and his talk concerned his campaign to win civil rights through non violent means. An admission fee of \$1.00 was charged with all proceeds reportedly to go to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. According to [REDACTED] approximately 2400 persons attended the talk which was orderly with no disturbances.

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At 9:00 AM October 22, 1964, the above information was furnished to [REDACTED], Region 1, 113th INTC Group, Chicago, Illinois.

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# Memorandum

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. DeLoach	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Bishop	✓
Mr. Casper	✓
Mr. Callahan	✓
Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
Mr. Gale	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Sullivan	✓
Mr. Tavel	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holmes	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 10/11/64

FROM : R. W. Smith

- 1 - Belmont
- 1 - Sullivan
- 1 - Baumgardner
- 1 - R.W. Smith

SUBJECT: THREAT AGAINST LIFE OF  
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

[REDACTED]

b7(c) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

In connection with Atlanta teletype 10/10/64 suggesting that New York or St. Louis advise King of the threat against his life, Special Agent [REDACTED] Duty Supervisor, called SAC Joseph K. Ponder, Atlanta, at 7:40 p.m. 10/10/64. b7(c)

Upon instructions of Assistant Director Sullivan, it was determined from Ponder that the Atlanta Police Department (APD) was advised of the threat. Security Supervisor [REDACTED] of the Atlanta Office notified Detective [REDACTED] Assistant to Captain Duncan, head of the Racial Squad, APD, on the evening of 10/9/64. Ponder stated the APD has taken no action in this matter. Ponder was instructed that it is up to APD to see that King is notified of the threat and Ponder should not have the FBI notify King or his family directly. b7c

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST  
THREATS AGAINST

DATE: 10/22/64

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Mohr  
1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. Rosen  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Bland  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - Mr. Forsyth  
1 - Mr. Decker

1 - Mr. Bachner

As you know, from time to time we have received information concerning threats against the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. As King more and more becomes a controversial figure, coupled with the controversial nature of the civil rights movement in which he is engaged, we can expect the continued receipt of information pertaining to such type threats. Our usual procedure has been to notify the Atlanta, Georgia, Police Department (PD) due to King's residence in that city, as well as to notify an appropriate local law enforcement agency covering the area where the violence is threatened if such locale is known. We have not been notifying King himself.

The most recent such threat made was covered by memorandum from R. W. Smith to you 10/11/64 (original attached) which noted that upon your instructions it was determined that the Atlanta PD had been advised of the threat but that the Atlanta Office should not have the FBI notify King or his family directly. The Atlanta Office was instructed that it was up to the Atlanta PD to see that King is notified.

We intend to follow the practice outlined above of advising the Atlanta PD of information pertaining to threats against King. We will not advise King. We will also advise any other local agency if we know of locale of threat.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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## A Great King

AWARD of the Nobel Peace Prize to the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., is an exhilarating testimonial to the enduring, and increasingly successful, advocacy of non-violence that characterizes this forceful, but law-respecting, leader of the American Negroes' fight for human and civil rights.

The Prize, perhaps the most distinguished of all recognitions to which men and women may aspire, is given to the one who has "done most for mankind and humanity in the preceding year." In this instance, emphasis is on Dr. King's insistence on non-violence. He has held to this policy even in circumstances of vicious brutality inflicted on peaceful demonstrators.

Just as the enactment of the civil rights law was a great advance in civilization, so is the award a momentous recognition of the virtue and high-mindedness of the peaceful pursuits by which Dr. King, Roy Wilkins, Executive Director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and other leaders of their race have furthered a fight that, our Constitution being what it is, it should never have been necessary to make.

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- The Evening Star \_\_\_\_\_
- New York Herald Tribune \_\_\_\_\_
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- The Worker \_\_\_\_\_
- The New Leader \_\_\_\_\_
- The Wall Street Journal \_\_\_\_\_
- The National Observer \_\_\_\_\_
- Complete World \_\_\_\_\_
- Date \_\_\_\_\_

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The American Negro has been extremely patient in the century since the Civil War. Little has been done for him. At long last, he has had to do for himself much of what has been done up to now. He knows now that the vast majority of American

### **World Rebuke To Violence**

whites stands beside him and that the success of his cause is inevitable. The diehards, though vicious and spectacular, are relatively few. Time will dispose of their stubbornness.

The award should have an impact on the small group of rabble-rousing Negro leaders who have stirred inflammable members of their race to violence. If these instigators are not persuaded by the award, perhaps their followers will be. For the award is not only a world-spoken commendation of the non-violence method but, in that very approval, a world-spoken rebuke to violent means.

Dr. King, 35-year-old slave-descendant, Montgomery, Ala., minister, who is president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, has held fast to principle in the face of prosecution and persecution that must have embittered and destroyed the peaceful intent of lesser men. He has been jailed, stabbed and vilified. Crosses have reddened on his lawn. A bomb has been flung at his door.

He is the 12th American to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, now Under Secretary of the United Nations, was the first American Negro to win the award. The Nobel Peace Prize committee, in making its present decision, had several nominees for consideration and came up with Dr. King. The universal comment should be "Who else?"

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442329)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)  
SUBJECT: CIRM;  
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On October 15, 1964, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Bayard Rustin was in contact with A.J. Muste on that date. Rustin said his purpose in contacting Muste was to discuss plans concerning Martin Luther King's trip to Europe to accept the Nobel Peace Prize. In that regard, Rustin said he had been asked by King to accompany him (to Oslo, Norway) for the purpose of handling arrangements for him. Rustin, the source said, remarked that King did not trust any of the people "around him" to be knowledgeable enough to know whom he should or should not contact when he goes over to accept the award.

Rustin, in commenting on King's request, said he thought he should go, but was faced with a problem as to where he could get the money which would be needed for transportation.

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as well as other expenses incidental to the trip. In regard to his expenses, Rustin said he thought "we" should appeal to some of "our friends" (Rustin's and Muste's friends) to raise the money. X

With regard to King's use of the money that he will receive with the award, Rustin said Coretta King (wife of Martin Luther King) desired that Martin place in trust \$5,000 for each of their children's education, but that King opposed the suggestion. As a consequence of their indecisiveness as to what to do with the money, Rustin said Martin King had invited him down to Atlanta on Monday, October 19, 1964, to discuss what the money should be used for. X

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Muste said in reply to Rustin's feelings about the children of King, that he did not think that King should provide for them but instead, should give all the money to the SCLC. This, Muste said, would not subject King to criticism X

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Rustin, in commenting on his forthcoming meeting with King, said King wanted him to help him prepare a speech which he would make (apparently in regard to his decision about what to do with the money). In that regard, Rustin asked Muste to prepare a few thoughts that he could use when he meets King. X

According to the source, Rustin and Muste concluded their contact with a promise of Muste that he would help Rustin raise the money with which to make the trip with King. X

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529) (100-100570) 6070  
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (100-27056) (157-198)  
RE: CIRM  
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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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Re Cleveland airtel to Bureau, 10/21/64, captioned "RACIAL SITUATION, CLEVELAND, OHIO," concerning the visit of MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. to the Cleveland area.

Enclosed are 9 copies of a LHM concerning captioned matter. Two copies are being furnished Atlanta for information. One copy is being furnished Cincinnati for information.

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This letterhead memorandum is classified confidential since it contains information from a confidential source of continuing value, the disclosure of which could compromise his future effectiveness.

The LHM is being furnished for the information of the Bureau, Cincinnati, and Atlanta. No action was taken in connection with KING's visit in accordance with instructions in Atlanta airtel, 10/19/64.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

An article in "The Plain Dealer", daily Cleveland newspaper, issue of October 23, 1964, reflected that Reverend King would help publicize "Get Out the Vote Sunday" which will be observed in churches November 1, 1964, during his talks in Cleveland on October 23, 1964. U

The article reflected that Reverend King arrived at the Cleveland airport at 10:30 AM on October 22, 1964, and proceeded to Oberlin, Ohio. According to the article, he was accompanied by the Reverend Ralph D. Abernathy, described as a close associate in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC); the Reverend Andrew J. Young, executive director of the SCLC; Jack Pratt, Chief Legal Counsel for the National Council of Churches; James L. Farmer, Executive Director of the Congress of Racial Equality, and Bayard Rustin, described as the organizer of the civil rights march on Washington in August, 1963. U

According to the article, Reverend King spoke to students and faculty at Oberlin College during the afternoon of October 22, 1964. U

The article also reflected that Reverend King and his group will leave Cleveland airport at 7:40 PM for Cincinnati, Ohio. The article noted that Cincinnati is the second stop in a six city coast-to-coast tour. U

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The files of the NYO contain insufficient information of a subversive nature to identify or characterize WILLIAM WAGNER.

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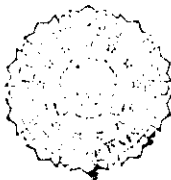
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Fauntroy told Rustin that if Wilkins did not back King's plan, King has said that he (King) would not stick his neck out (by making the tour). King, according to Fauntroy, said the purpose of the tour would be to encourage voting, and not for the purpose of endorsing President Johnson. King said he did not want it to appear as if President Johnson had him (King) in his pocket. ~~X~~

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According to the source, King told Fauntroy that he thought the following should be participants in the proposed tour: Whitney Young (Executive Director of the National Urban League); A. Philip Randolph (President of the Negro American Labor Council); Roy Wilkins; James Farmer (National Director of the Congress of Racial Equality) (CORE); John Lewis (Chairman, Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee) and himself. The following is the proposed itinerary as furnished by King: X

Friday, October 23, 1964, at Cleveland, Ohio  
Monday or Tuesday, October 26, 1964, at Los Angeles, with the possibility of a mass rally on Monday evening in Los Angeles  
Wednesday, October 28, 1964, day of rest  
Thursday, October 29, 1964, at Chicago  
Friday, October 30, 1964, at Detroit  
Saturday, October 31, 1964, at Baltimore, Maryland X

Fauntroy told Rustin that "they" want Rustin to coordinate public relations for the tour. In reply, Rustin said he had a lot of work, but thought he could handle it. X

Rustin, in considering who of the civil rights leaders should be contacted first regarding the proposed tour, said he thought that Roy Wilkins should be the last to be informed of the plans. Fauntroy said that according to Andy Young (Executive Director of the SCLC), Whitney Young had committed himself to go on the tour. X

In concluding their contact, Rustin sought information as to where the tour was being arranged. He was told by Fauntroy that he was presently handling matters in Washington, D.C. X

With regard to the moratorium mentioned heretofore, it is noted that in "The New York Times", July 30, 1964, page 1, column 1, it was reported that major civil rights leaders conferred in New York City on July 29, 1964, and agreed to recommend to their members to observe a "broad curtailment, if not total moratorium" on all mass demonstrations until after the November 3, 1964 Presidential election.

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The same confidential source advised on October 17, 1964, that Bayard Rustin was in contact on that date with an individual who identified himself to Rustin as William Wagner of California. He told Rustin that he was very interested in doing civil rights work, and requested to meet Rustin. Rustin told him that he was too busy because he had a speech at 2:30 PM that afternoon at the headquarters of the Haryou-Act, 137th Street and 7th Avenue, New York, New York. Rustin said he was also busy doing some work for the Domestic Peace Corps. X

It is noted that Haryou-Act is a combination of Harlem Youth Opportunities Unlimited and Associated Community teams, whose purpose is to fight juvenile delinquency and poverty in Harlem.

On October 18, 1964, the same confidential source advised that Bayard Rustin and Harry Wachtel were in conference on that afternoon. Wachtel informed Rustin that he had made reservations for Rustin and himself to fly to Atlanta, Georgia, on October 19, 1964, to meet with Martin Luther King, Jr. According to source, Rustin agreed to meet Wachtel at Wachtel's office at 3:15 PM, October 19, 1964, where they would depart for the airport to catch the 4:15 PM flight to Atlanta. X

Wachtel told Rustin that Martin Luther King had said that a two or three hour meeting was all he could physically stand. X

With regard to their return to New York, Rustin said he would have to return to the city on Monday, October 19, 1964, because of his heavy work load. 0

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Harry H. Wachtel is the Executive Vice President of the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City. He resides at 29 Split Rock Drive, Kings Point, Long Island, New York.

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TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: CHICAGO

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TALK BY DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., TEMPLE SHOLOM, N. LAKE SHORE DRIVE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS OCTOBER TWENTY ONE NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR, RM.

RE CG AIRTEL AND LHM OCTOBER FIFTEEN LAST.

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October 15, 1964

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

"Der Morgen" a newspaper published in the so-called German Democratic Republic (DDR) (Soviet Zone of Occupation in Germany), reported on September 13, 1964, that the well-known Negro Minister and leader in the fight against racial discrimination, Dr. Martin Luther King, would preach that evening in the capital of the DDR (Berlin) in the Marienkirche.

The "Berliner Zeitung" published in East Berlin, in its issue of September 15, 1964, reported that the well-known Negro Minister, Dr. Martin Luther King, had preached in the DDR capital on Sunday. He was reported as having stated that the American Negro people would not be deterred in their fight for full equality. Dr. King, who spoke at a church service in the Marienkirche, referred to the struggle to free the approximately twenty million American Negroes from the darkness of racial discrimination as a great social revolution.

This newspaper also reported that Dr. King had spoken earlier before approximately 25,000 West Berliners.

"Neue Zeit", also published in East Berlin, reported on September 15, 1964, that Dr. Martin Luther King in addressing more than 3,000 persons at the Marienkirche and the Sophienkirche had expressed heartfelt thanks for the moral support rendered for Christians in the DDR in the Negro's fight for equality in the United States.

He is quoted as saying "please continue your moral support of our struggle for racial equality. Just as you pray for us so will I pray for a solution of the German problem."

According to the report Dr. King continued with illustrations of racial discrimination in the United States, slum conditions and police brutality.

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Congress of the United Sta.  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C.

July 24, 1964

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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I wonder if you could be good enough to give me your Department's report on the veracity of the enclosed brochure.

I have seen this material rather widely distributed and I would like to know if the Highlander Folk School was a Segregal "Training School" and whether or not the person identified in the photograph is, indeed, Martin Luther King, Jr.

Since this material is being widely distributed in my district, you can appreciate my concern.

Sincerely yours,

Roman C. Pakiški  
Member of Congress

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Memorandum

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 7-27-64

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
THE HIGHLANDER FOLK SCHOOL;  
REQUEST FROM CONGRESSMAN ROMAN C. PUCINSKI  
(DEMOCRAT - ILLINOIS)

BACKGROUND:

Congressman Pucinski forwarded a copy of a flyer made from a news clipping from the "Augusta Courier," Augusta, Georgia, on 7-8-63. The flyer identifies Martin Luther King in a photograph taken of certain individuals attending the Highlander Folk School during the Labor Day weekend of 1957. The Congressman would like to know if the Highlander Folk School was a communist training school and whether or not the person identified in the photograph is Martin Luther King, Jr.

INFORMATION IN BUFILES:

The photograph of Martin Luther King attending the Highlander Folk School has come to our attention several times in the past. A United Press - International Service release of 7-12-63 reported Governor Ross Barnett displayed a poster-size photograph to the Senate Commerce Committee which he claimed showed King "at a communist training school." Governor Barnett said the picture was taken at the Highlander Folk School of Monteagle, Tennessee. The Bureau obtained another copy of the photograph from our Savannah Office in March, 1963, and it was revealed that the photograph was taken surreptitiously by an "undercover agent" of the Georgia Commission on Education at the Highlander Folk School in 1957.

The photograph also identified Abner W. Berry who has been a writer for "The Daily Worker" and has been a member of the Communist Party, although he reportedly left it in September, 1958. Aubrey Williams, also identified in the photograph, has been associated with communist causes and has held such positions as chairman of the National Committee to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee and was president and member of the board of directors of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc., a communist front. Myles Horton, identified on the flyer forwarded by Congressman Pucinski as director of the Highlander Folk School, has been very close to the Communist Party in the past, although informants doubt that he has ever been a member of the Communist Party.

1 - Mr. DeLoach

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M. A. Jones to DeLoach memo  
Re: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

The Highlander Folk School was formed in 1932 and was a leftist organization supported by private donations. It offered courses of instruction in labor organization, economics and labor education. Informants have advised that the school has had Communist Party members on its staff as instructors and has followed the practice of welcoming communists as students. Informants have advised the school was pro-communist, but there is no indication it was ever completely controlled by communists. The school was closed by the State of Tennessee in December, 1961, after its conviction for violating Tennessee segregation laws. A state charter for a Highlander Research and Education Center of Knoxville, Tennessee, was issued on 3-23-61 and Myles Horton was identified as its Director.

RECOMMENDATION:

That a representative of your, Mr. DeLoach, office personally contact Congressman Pucinski, with whom we have had prior cordial relations, and inform him confidentially of the background regarding the flyer he enclosed concerning the Highlander Folk School.

*[Handwritten signatures and initials]*

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Pucinski personally before  
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Date: 6/25/64

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-116)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-151548)  
SUBJECT: CPUSA  
NEGRO QUESTION  
COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN  
RACIAL MATTERS  
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(OO: NY)

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Re teletype to Bureau, 6/25/64.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are/copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above; two copies are enclosed for Atlanta and one each for Jacksonville, Memphis and New Orleans.

Source used in the letterhead memorandum is

[Redacted]

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- 5-Bureau (100-3-116) (Encl. 7) (RM)
  - (1-100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
  - (1-100-438794) (COMINFIL SCLC)
- 2-Atlanta (100-6520-A) (CPUSA) (Encl. 2) (Info) (RM)
  - (1-100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
- 1-Jacksonville (100- ) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
- 1-Memphis (157-4005) (COFO) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
- 1-New Orleans (157- ) (COFO) (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
- 1-New York (100-149194) (COMINFIL SCLC) (41)
- 1-New York (100-73250) (CLARENCE JONES) (42)
- 1-New York (100-136585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.) (42)
- 1-New York (100-151548) (42)

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This letterhead memorandum has been classified "Secret", because it contains information from ~~[REDACTED]~~. This source has furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the New York area and the Communist infiltration thereof, and it is felt that this classification is necessary in order not to jeopardize the valuable position of the informant in furnishing information of this nature.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York  
June 23, 1954

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Re: Communist Party,  
United States of  
America  
Negro Question  
Communist Influence in  
Racial Matters  
Internal Security - C

On June 22, 1954, [redacted] [redacted], who has  
furnished reliable information in the past, furnished  
information on [redacted] [redacted], [redacted] Clarence  
Jones on that date. [redacted] [redacted] things were only  
[redacted] in the city [redacted] [redacted], and he said an  
[redacted] had [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] other communities  
were trying to [redacted] [redacted] of [redacted]."  
[redacted] as to [redacted] [redacted] because of [redacted] people and  
[redacted] [redacted] of the [redacted] (the Ku Klux Klan) and he  
stated that the [redacted] influence and [redacted] were getting  
out of hand.

The [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted].

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Re: Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Internal Security - C



It is to be noted that Martin Luther King has been leading demonstrations in St. Augustine, Florida, protesting segregation in public places. U

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. advised that he has been in contact with a lawyer who is a close personal friend of the families of the two New York City youths who are missing in Mississippi. According to Jones, this lawyer (the father and the lawyer) main concern at this time is to determine the whereabouts of the two youths. Jones mentioned that "they" feel strongly that it would be a good idea if someone from the Justice Department or someone from the White House would make a request of the Governor of Mississippi (Governor Paul B. Johnson, Jr.) to make an appeal to the people of Mississippi to come forward with information leading to the determination of the whereabouts of the two youths. According to Jones, the lawyer mentioned that the families of the boys were thinking of going to Mississippi and talking with the Governor in the hope of getting him to make an appeal to the people of Mississippi and have him make a public appeal (for information concerning the missing boys). Jones stated that the lawyer asked him if he would contact King to determine if King could suggest this idea to the Justice Department or the White House. Both Jones and King indicated that they felt it was a good idea, and King stated that he would comply with this request on June 25, 1964. U



Re: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
The Southern Christian Leadership Conference  
Communist Influence in  
Civil Rights  
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King stated that he was wondering about the effects on the civil rights movement if the youths were found dead, and Jones replied that he felt the immediate "objective" would be the cessation of Federal protection in Mississippi. King and Jones discussed the possibility of having United States marshals sent into the area for protection for the voter registration project. Both Jones and King agreed that it was a desperate situation, and Jones mentioned that a great amount of fear would be instilled in the parents of other youths who are asked to go to Mississippi to work in the civil rights movement. 74

King invited Jones to the New York Office (of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference - SCLC) of which King is President, and three mailing units (Wyatt Walker who was Executive Director of the SCLC), Adele (Adele Foster) an employee of the SCLC office in New York, Billy Howe (who is a public relations man in New York City engaged in fund raising for the SCLC), Ruth Bailey (an employee of the SCLC office in New York City) and himself (Jones) plan to hold a conference in regard to the New York Office. Jones mentioned that even on this subject that "we have to put these operations under one roof." Jones indicated that he had one major reservation in this regard and that because of the enormous amount of detail attached to Adele's work, he did not want it to be put within a structure which would not give her the maximum degree of flexibility and independence. Jones mentioned also that Adele is surrounded by cards, codes, and sheets (in connection with the SCLC mailing program), and 75

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Re: [redacted] 100-100000  
United States of America  
George Jackson  
Communist Influence in  
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Jones mentioned that there is also a question of the security of some of these lists. He mentioned that the lists which she has been refining are getting to be quite valuable and that wherever the New York Office would be, the mailing lists are like dollar bills lying around. He was agreed that something could be worked out to take care of the situation. (1)

It is to be noted that three civil rights workers have been missing since Sunday, June 21, 1964, in Mississippi. The missing workers are Michael Schwerner of Brooklyn, New York, James Goodman of New York and James R. Chaney of Mississippi. (1)

Clarence Jones is a General Counsel for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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The [redacted] was designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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RE:

BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 75-1186

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-198)

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RACIAL SITUATION  
CLEVELAND, OHIO  
RACIAL MATTERS

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[Redacted] advised that Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. will arrive in CV on 10/22/64, under the sponsorship of the National Council of Churches. He stated that local civil rights groups, including the NAACP, will also welcome Rev. KING. [Redacted] stated [Redacted] did not have KING's itinerary for the day but would furnish it before his arrival. He stated no mass rallies are planned and KING will depart the same day.

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[Redacted] asked if the Bureau would provide security protection for Rev. KING and he was advised the FBI does not, but any pertinent info received bearing on his security would be immediately furnished appropriate authorities. [Redacted] stated the CVPD was being requested to furnish a protective detail.

[Redacted] advised that a special detail of detectives would be assigned to Rev. KING.

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1 - Atlanta (100-5586) (Info)RM  
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AIR MAIL (REGISTERED)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442929)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-68078)

RE: KING  
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Re Atlanta teletype to WFO, Et Al, 10/23/64, and New York airtel to the Bureau, 10/20/64, which concerned a scheduled trip to Los Angeles and other metropolitan cities during the period, 10/23 - 10/31/64, by MARTIN LUTHER KING.

Enclosed are an original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting results of a public statement by KING while in Los Angeles.

Referenced New York airtel disclosed information was reported KING would be in Los Angeles, Monday, 10/26/64, and was scheduled to arrive in Chicago, on 10/29/64, following a day of rest.

In the absence of Bureau instructions, no investigation was conducted concerning KING during his Los Angeles visit; however, information obtained from news media, logical sources, and informants, will, where pertinent, be furnished to the Bureau and interested offices.

Copies of the enclosed LHM are being furnished to New York, Chicago, and Atlanta for information.

- 4 - Bureau (Encl. 8) (REGISTERED)
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- 1 - Atlanta (100-2586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING) (REGISTERED) (Encl. 1) (Info)
- 1 - Chicago (Info) (Encl. 1) (REGISTERED)
- 2 - New York (100-113735) (Encl. 2) (Info) (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100-130585) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
- 2 - Los Angeles
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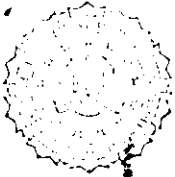
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Los Angeles, California

October 28, 1964

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VISIT TO LOS ANGELES BY  
REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
OCTOBER 26, 1964

On October 26, 1964, the Los Angeles evening "Herald-Examiner", a large daily metropolitan evening newspaper, reported that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. would visit Los Angeles as a guest of local civil rights and church groups. A spokesman for sponsoring organizations stated that Dr. King would travel in a motorcade in a person-to-person tour to get out the vote. The article noted that Dr. King's visit was part of a non-partisan, cross-country tour of major urban centers, which Dr. King has undertaken to insure that the large number of citizens who are registered to vote in the coming election turn out at the polls on November 3. The article noted that Dr. King would make a major address at an all-citizens rally at South Park, Los Angeles, at 6:00 P.M. (October 27, 1964).

The Los Angeles "Times", a large daily metropolitan morning newspaper, on October 27, 1964, reported that Dr. King, on Monday, October 26, 1964, stated that civil rights demonstrations will resume after the November 3 election, "in situations that demand them". The article quoted Dr. King as saying, "We did call a moratorium on demonstrations for the campaigns, but naturally after the election, there will be a renewal of demonstrations in situations that demand them as long as the evils are there." The article disclosed Dr. King, recent winner of the Nobel Peace Prize, arrived at International Airport, Los Angeles (October 26, 1964), and spoke briefly at a press conference. The article stated he was scheduled for a number of personal appearances throughout the Los Angeles area on October 27, 1964, his final appearance being at Los Angeles City College at 3:00 P.M.

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL. (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (157-New)

SUBJECT: CONTEMPLATED TALK BY  
 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,  
 TEMPLE SHOLOM, NORTH LAKE  
 SHORE DRIVE, CHICAGO,  
 ILLINOIS, 10/21/64  
 RM

Enclosed for Bureau are original and seven copies of letterhead memorandum on captioned matter.

Chicago will follow this matter.

- 1 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Chicago
- 1 - 157-413

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Chicago, Illinois  
October 15, 1964

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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CONTEMPLATED TALK BY  
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.,  
TEMPLE SHOLOM, NORTH LAKE  
SHORE DRIVE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS,  
OCTOBER 21, 1964  
RACIAL MATTERS

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on October 15, 1964, that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. intends to give a talk at the Temple Shalom, 3480 North Lake Shore Drive, at 8:30 PM, October 21, 1964. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] has no information of any contemplated disturbances related to this talk.

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At 5:04 PM, October 15, 1964, [REDACTED] Region I, 113th INTC Group, Chicago, Illinois, was advised of the above information.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - Mr. Rosack

Honorable William D. Moyers  
Special Assistant to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Moyers:

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., and his wife had discussed the absence of congratulations from "high Government officials" on the occasion of King's winning the Nobel Peace Prize. King felt that President Lyndon B. Johnson was attempting to avoid raising a political issue since King was such a "controversial figure," as far as the race issue was concerned, in the South. Mrs. King suggested that since the Negro people were now aware of their political power, they may not let the President "get away with this." King stated that he might "leak this" to the Negro press.

This information is also being furnished to officials in the Department of Justice.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Honorable William D. Moyers

NOTE:

This letter is classified "Secret" since it contains information from a highly sensitive source with respect to the racial situation, the unauthorized disclosure of which would be extremely detrimental to the defense interests of the Nation.

This information is contained in Atlanta airtel 10/15/64 with LEM attached.

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SECRET

1 - Mr. Forsyth  
1 - Mr. Rosack

[Redacted]

SAC, Chicago

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October 19, 1964

Director, FBI (100-106676)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

Re Atlanta airtel, copies to Chicago, 10/14/64, which reported information to the effect that subject, President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), has an account at the Service Federal Savings and Loan, Chicago, Illinois.

Chicago is instructed to give immediate consideration to the possibility of effecting an appropriate monitoring of the account in question so that as much information as possible may be obtained relative to financial matters concerning the subject. Any action taken must necessarily be through only established sources and only in such a discreet manner that absolute security exists and no possibility of embarrassment to the Bureau may result. It should be noted that any check made of the institution in question should take into account the possibility that if the account is not in subject's name it may be in the name of the SCLC.

Promptly advise the Bureau of all pertinent developments relative to exploring the foregoing suggestion.

1 - Atlanta (100-5586) (PERSONAL ATTENTION)

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(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
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 (RELEASE AT 1:30 P.M. EDT)

(NOBEL)

OSLO--DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., AMERICAN NEGRO CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER, WON THE 1964 NOBEL PEACE PRIZE TODAY.

KING, THE LEADER OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP COUNCIL (SCLC), BECAME THE 12TH AMERICAN AND THE THIRD NEGRO TO WIN THE AWARD.

KING'S CANDIDACY WAS SPONSORED BY POLITICAL FIGURES IN EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES AND BY NEWSPAPERS OF ALL POLITICAL LEANINGS IN NORWAY.

A LEADING RECOMMENDATION CAME FROM EIGHT SWEDISH MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT. THEY REPRESENTED ALL THE PARLIAMENTARY PARTIES.

THE NOBEL PRIZE WINNER IS APPOINTED BY THE NORWEGIAN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. IT IS MADE FROM A SECRET LIST OF 20 TO 30 NAMES.

OTHER NAMES REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN ON THIS YEAR'S LIST WERE THOSE OF FORMER PRESIDENT EISENHOWER, FORMER BRITISH PRIME MINISTER LORD AVON (SIR ANTHONY EDEN), PRESIDENT DE GAULLE AND FORMER WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER.

AT 35, KING ALSO WAS ONE OF THE YOUNGEST MEN EVER TO WIN THE PRIZE.

THE FIRST AMERICAN TO WIN THE PRIZE WAS PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT IN 1906. THE MOST RECENT WAS NUCLEAR PHYSICIST AND ANTI-NUCLEAR CAMPAIGNER LINUS PAULING, WHO WON THE 1962 PRIZE LAST YEAR AFTER IT HAD BEEN DEFERRED FOR A YEAR. OTHER AMERICAN WINNERS INCLUDED PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON, SECRETARY OF STATE CORDELL HULL AND U.N. UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL RALPH BUNCHE, FIRST NEGRO TO BE AWARDED THE PRIZE.

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*J. Edgar Hoover*

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WASHINGTON CAPITAL NEWS SERVICE

# Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (File 100-106670) DATE: 10/14/64

FROM : SAC, Atlanta (File 100-5586)

SUBJECT: Martin Luther King, Jr.  
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This case will be delinquent.

Date of Bureau deadline: 10-15-64

Reason for the delinquency: Volume on CIRM

Date the report or necessary communication will reach the Bureau: 11-1-64

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442329)

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (100-49952)

SUBJECT: CIMA

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Re Newark airtel, dated 10/8/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum captioned and dated as above at Newark, New Jersey.

Two copies each of the above letterhead memorandum are being enclosed for the Atlanta and New York offices.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Newark, New Jersey  
October 12, 1934

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE  
IN SOCIAL MEMBERS

"The Star-Ledger", daily newspaper published at Newark, New Jersey, stated in the issue dated October 12, 1934, that Reverend Martin Luther KING, national civil rights leader, addressed two groups in Newark, New Jersey, on October 11, 1934.

"The Star-Ledger" stated that in a speech to about five hundred members of the New Jersey Division of Local 1122, Hospital and Drug Workers Union, affiliated with the Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union, AFL-CIO, King abandoned a long-time political neutralism and urged the members to vote against the Goldwater-Miller ticket on November Third.

According to the article, King was also the featured speaker before one thousand one hundred persons at a dedicatory dinner of Leaguers, Incorporated, a Newark organization that has financed educational scholarships for Newark children.

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TO DIRECTOR (100-442529)  
FROM ATLANTA (100-85703)

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RE ST. LOUIS TEL OCTOBER NINE AND BUREAU TEL OCTOBER  
TEN CONCERNING THREAT AGAINST LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING,  
JR.

IN VIEW OF BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS SET FORTH IN SAC LETTER  
NIX FOUR DASH FOUR NINE D, BUREAU MAY WISH TO INSTRUCT  
NEW YORK OR ST. LOUIS TO ADVISE KING OF THREAT.

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TO DIRECTOR /100-422929/, SPRINGFIELD, AND ATLANTA /100-6670A//CLM/  
FROM ST. LOUIS /100-17801/

RE: *domestic*  
*St. Louis*

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[REDACTED], ST. LOUIS PD, ADVISED THAT LET RECEIVED  
THIS DATE FROM CAIRO, ILL. PD ADVISING THAT [REDACTED]

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NEGRO, [REDACTED], WAS MADE  
THREAT AGAINST LIFE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. [REDACTED] REPORTEDLY  
CONSULTED ATTORNEY [REDACTED] IN CAIRO AS TO WHAT WOULD

HAPPEN TO HIM IF HE KILLED KING. [REDACTED] WAS RELEASED FROM  
MARIAGE, ILL., [REDACTED] HE MADE REFERENCE TO KING

*John*

BEING ON TV PANEL PROGRAM, DATE AND PLACE UNKNOWN. ST. LOUIS

INDICES NEGATIVE ON [REDACTED] ST. LOUIS PD ALERTED AND COVERING  
SITUATION. [REDACTED] LAST REPORTED TO BE IN [REDACTED] MO. ON

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[REDACTED] KING SCHEDULED FOR TWO PUBLIC APPEARANCES ST. LOUIS  
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ST. LOUIS HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF TV PANEL ON WHICH KING IS  
SCHEDULED TO APPEAR.

NO ACTION BEING TAKEN BY ST. LOUIS.

CORRECTIONS LINE FIVE WORD THREE SHOULD BE [REDACTED]  
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Date: 10/8/64

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Via AIRTEL REGISTERED MAIL  
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TO : DIRECTOR (100-206670)  
FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-46230)(C)  
SUBJECT: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING  
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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a self-explanatory letterhead memo.

Information copies of the letterhead memo forwarded INTC, OSI, and ONI, Philadelphia, and Atlanta.

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PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

OCTOBER 8, 1964

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING

The "Philadelphia Evening Bulletin," Page 31, in the issue dated October 8, 1964, carried a story stating that Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING spoke to an audience of 15,000 at Convention Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the night of October 7, 1964.

The theme of the meeting was, "The Sound of Freedom," which was sponsored by The Greater Philadelphia Citizens Committee, Honorary Chairman, Philadelphia Mayor James H. J. Tate; Chairman, the Reverend John A. White, President, Baptist Ministers Conference, according to the program leaflet.

Dr. King urged the election of President Johnson, November 3, 1964, by a decisive margin, and stated that no self-respecting Negro could vote for Senator Goldwater.

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**TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442670)**  
**FROM: SAC, NEWARK (100-16052)**  
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Re New York airtel to Bureau 10/3/64.

For the information of the Bureau and New York, a pretext telephone call on 10/8/64 to office of "The Leaguers," a local organization which helps high school students, obtained information that MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., well known civil rights leader, was scheduled to speak twice in Newark, N.J., on 10/11/64.

First speech will be at 4:30 p.m. at Military Park Hotel to a meeting of hospital workers sponsored by Local 1198, Drug and Hospital Employees Union, AMI-CFO.

Second speech will be at 6 p.m. at Mosque Theater at fund-raising affair for The Leaguers.

Call made by SA [REDACTED] who gave no identity and did not use any specific pretext.

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- 2 - New York (100-163736) (RM)
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)  
SUBJECT: CIRM  
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Enclosed are 6 copies of a LHM captioned and dated as above.

The source who furnished the information used in the LHM was [REDACTED] b(2) b(7)(D)  
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Files of the NYO contain insufficient subversive information to characterize WILLIAM ROWE.

The LHM is classified "Secret" because it contains information from [REDACTED] a source who has furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the NY area, and the Communist infiltration thereof; therefore, it is believed that this classification is necessary to protect the source. b(2) b(7)(D)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York  
October 8, 1964

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Bu 100-442529

Re: Communist Influence in Racial Matters  
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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 6, 1964, that Clarence Jones was in contact with Adele Kanter (Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) office in New York City) on that date. Jones told of having gone to Savannah, Georgia (to attend the SCLC Convention which was held on September 29, 1964 through October 2, 1964), and while there he went to see Martin Luther King, Jr. (President of the SCLC). He said he wished that he had not gone to see him because of his "indefiniteness and vagueness over several pressing organizational matters."

In elaborating on the problems concerning the SCLC, Jones said he had in mind the SCLC office in New York City, and in that regard, said the trouble exists over the fact that Ruth Bailey (employee of the SCLC in New York) refuses to abide by directives emanating from the SCLC office in Atlanta. Jones said that Wyatt Walker (former Executive Director of the SCLC and now affiliated with the New York office of the SCLC) and William Rowe (a public relations man in New York City, and active in fund raising for the SCLC) accuse each other for the trouble in the office.

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Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Jones said that as a result of his meeting with King, King would get together with Walker, Rowe and Kanter when he comes to New York City this weekend. He said he told King that he must decide whether he (King) or Bailey is going to run the SCLC.

Adele Kanter said in reply to Jones' estimate of the situation, that she was of the opinion that Wyatt Walker was the cause of the trouble.

According to the source, Kanter related that she had gone to the SCLC Convention in Savannah, Georgia, and in that regard, said she met Randolph Blackwell, characterized by her as a new addition to the organization (to the SCLC). She said he would be a valuable addition to the organization.

Clarence Jones is General Counsel to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that

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Communist Influence in Racial Matters

Randolph Blackwell attended a Labor Youth League convention on August 14, 1950, at the Algonquin Club, 1400 Fayetteville Street, Durham, North Carolina.

The Labor Youth League has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
SECURITY MATTER - COMMUNIST

DATE: September 11, 1964

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Bland
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner

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We have just learned that Martin Luther King, Jr., and some of his advisors, including Bayard Rustin and Clarence Jones, are working on an article which is to be submitted over King's name for publication in "The Saturday Evening Post." The article would deal with such matters as the poverty bill, elections, riots and the so-called "backlash" that is cropping up in political circles. The only publication known to be considered for this article to date is "The Saturday Evening Post." We do not as yet know specifically what line King will take in the article or what its specific stands will be. The matter of this article is scheduled for further discussion by King and his advisors on 9/22/64 in New York City. This information is classified "Secret" (S)

OBSERVATIONS:

Because of the communist influences on King it would be well to prevent any publication of his views. It is noted that earlier this year we had some advance information on the possibility of a King article being published by "The Saturday Evening Post." On that occasion Assistant Director DeLoach's office was able to take appropriate action to forestall the publication of the article. This was handled by Supervisor [redacted] who has an appropriate contact at "The Saturday Evening Post."

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ACTION:

We have separately made appropriate dissemination of the information concerning King's intentions to have an article published in "The Saturday Evening Post" and have also written the Atlanta and New York Offices to remain on top of the situation so that the Bureau will be promptly furnished further developments in this matter.

RECOMMENDATION:

This memorandum be routed to Assistant Director DeLoach for appropriate action in accordance with the observations set out above.

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More recent information has just been received to the effect that a John Hunt of "The Saturday Evening Post" has already been in contact with King concerning material being prepared for the "Post." Also, King and some of his advisors are to meet briefly on the late afternoon of 9/11/64 while King is waiting at the airport in New York City for a flight overseas. They are to further discuss the article in question.

In light of the latest information, it is suggested that if any action is taken by Mr. DeLoach, it be done as soon as possible so that it would be less difficult for "Post" people to take the action desired.

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Director Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, 25 D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am a senior at Indiana University; next semester I will enter Law School. I have studied Communism for the past several years, reading dozens of publications on the subject, including your books: "Masters of Deceit" and "A Study of Communism."

Please answer the following question for me: Recently, Sept 27, 1964, in the Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette, you are quoted as saying: "no evidence was found that the riots were organized on a national basis by any single person, group of persons, or organization." I would like to know how you can make a statement like this and at the same time use your wide knowledge of Communist Tactics?

In December 1963, Martin Luther King visited President Johnson and told him that the racial demonstrations would start again. This can be found in "Human Events" Dec 24, 1963 and "Time" Jan 3, 1964. Also, I have a signed and notarized; sworn the 28th day, of September, 1963, by one Earl Prussion: Affidavit. This paper states that Martin Luther King belongs to 10 or 60 Communist Front Organizations.

With these facts in hand: King telling Johnson that demonstrations will begin again; King's nomination (On the word of a courtier; for the Federal Bureau of Investigation) of "being a Communist." how then can one say that the recent racial demonstrations are not the organized efforts of any group?

Sir: I know you are a busy man, but please find time to answer this letter: I have long had great respect for the F.B.I. and all I ask is an explanation. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,



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### Dr. King Leads For Nobel Prize

OSLO, Oct. 6 (UPI) — The Rev. Martin Luther King is the heavy favorite to win the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize, qualified observers said today.

A committee appointed by the Norwegian National Assembly chooses the winner. The selection, from a secret list of 20 to 30 names, is expected to be announced later this month.

The civil rights leader's candidacy has been sponsored by leading European politicians and seconded by newspapers of all political leanings in Norway. Other names on the list are believed to include former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, French President de Gaulle and former West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, but none is believed to be among the front runners.

*King could well  
qualify for the  
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- The Worker \_\_\_\_\_
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RE:

BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL.  
(U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)  
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL. (U.S.D.C., D.C.)  
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Via AIRTEL \_\_\_\_\_

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442529)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-153735)

SUBJECT: CIRM  
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Enclosed are seven copies of a letterhead memorandum, captioned and dated as above.

The source who furnished the information in the letterhead memorandum was [REDACTED]

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- 5-Bureau (100-442529) (Encl. 7) (RM)
  - (1-100-158790) (BAYARD RUSTIN)
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- 2-Atlanta (100-6670) (Encl. 2) (RM)
  - (1-100-5586) (MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.)
- 1-Newark (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
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This letterhead memorandum has been classified "Secret" because it contains information from a source who has furnished highly sensitive information with respect to the racial situation in the New York area, and the Communist infiltration thereof, and it is felt that this classification is necessary in order to prevent the source from being jeopardized.

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New York, New York  
October 6, 1964

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Re: Communist Influence  
In Racial Matters  
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On October 2, 1964, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Bayard Rustin (Organizer of the March on Washington August, 1953), was in contact on that date with Rachelle Horowitz (a confidante of Rustin's). Rustin informed Horowitz that he had just returned to New York, and said the conference was excellent (the Southern Christian Leadership Conference Convention (SCLC) held in Savannah Georgia, from September 29 until October 2, 1964). In that regard, Rustin said he wrote the economics section (of the program of the SCLC) and said it was excellent. It includes "everything" such as the shorter work week, shorter hours, social security until one gets a job, advanced coverage, general dental plan and others, Rustin remarked.

Rustin, in remarking about accomodations in Savannah, Georgia, said "they" were all received well by the public establishments, therefore, "they" had no problems whatsoever.

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According to the source, Rustin said that he and Martin Luther King, Jr. (President of the SCLC) will speak next Sunday (October 10, 1954) in Newark, New Jersey, in behalf of hospital workers who are conducting an organizing campaign in that city. In that regard, Rustin said there might be problems if King sits on the platform with the white Democratic candidate while the Negro Republican candidate is not present. Rustin said, however, that the problem could be resolved by not seating either candidate alongside King.

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Communist Influence In Racial Matters

In "The Saturday Evening Post", issue of July 11-18, 1964, page 76, Bayard Rustin is the subject of a feature article captioned: "The Lone Wolf of Civil Rights". In it, Rustin is said to have come to New York in 1938, as an organizer for the Young Communist League (YCL), and as such, he had the job of recruiting students for the "Party". Furthermore, the article reports that during his first years in New York, Rustin gave most of his earnings to the "Party". He reportedly left the "Party" in 1941, the article states.

The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 12850.

The "Daily Worker", February 11, 1957, page 1 column 2, reported that Bayard Rustin, Executive Secretary, War Resisters League, was an observer at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), held in New York City, on February 9-12, 1957.

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist publication until it ceased publication on January 13, 1958.

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Another confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 19, 20, 1964, that Bayard Rustin contacted Benjamin J. Davis on those dates X

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and sought his advice as to how he could escape from a speaking engagement to which he was committed. On the latter contact, Davis told Rustin that he was working on his request and had contacted friends who had contacts with the group to which Rustin was to speak. X

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"The New York Times", August 24, 1964, page 27, column 4, reports that Benjamin J. Davis, National Secretary, CP, USA, died in New York City on the night of August 22, 1964.

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A characterization of the YSL is attached.

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YOUNG SOCIALIST LEAGUE (YSL)

The March 1, 1954, issue of the "Young Socialist Challenge," published as page three of "Labor Action," an official publication of the Independent Socialist League (ISL), contained an article concerning the creation of the YSL, which pointed out that at a unity conference occurring February 12-14, 1954, at Labor Action Hall, New York, New York, a merger occurred between the Young People's Socialist League (YPSL) and the Socialist Youth League (SYL). The new organization was named the YSL.

A confidential informant on June 15, 1954, made available the minutes of the YSL's National Action Committee meeting of April 13, 1954, which reflected that one S. SITEMAN, "Chairman of SP (Socialist Party) Youth Committee," had objected to a statement appearing in "Commerce," a New York University journal, which indicated that the YPSL merged with the SYL to form the YSL. He explained that the YPSL did not merge with anyone, that it continued to exist as the youth section of the Socialist Party. He explained that a small group of the YPSL was dropped, expelled, or suspended from that organization and joined the SYL, which he characterized as the youth group of the "Trotskyite ISL." He explained that after these few former members of the YPSL joined the SYL, the SYL then proceeded to change its name for its own purposes.

On April 9, 1956, another confidential informant advised as follows:

The YSL has frequently worked in close sympathetic cooperation with the ISL toward similar objectives, although each major issue given mutual consideration is decided upon by these organizations individually. The YSL serves as an apprenticeship for the ISL, but ISL selection of members from YSL ranks is made on an individual and personal basis. In many instances YSL members are also members of the ISL.

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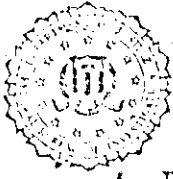
YOUNG SOCIALIST LEAGUE (YSL) CONT'D.

The YSL and ISL utilize the same printing house in New York City and the YSL publication is printed as an insert in "Labor Action." Frequently, lecturers before the YSL are ISL members.

The September 22, 1958, issue of "Young Socialist Challenge," which appeared as page five of "Labor Action," contained an undated statement from the National Action Committee of the YSL which indicated that the YSL had been dissolved. The statement appeared under the caption "Join the Young Peoples Socialist League."

The YFSL is publicly known as the youth affiliate of the Socialist Party-Social Democratic Federation.

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New York, New York  
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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: October 6, 1964

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FROM : Mr. J. A. Sizoo

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ASAC Eugene Stewart, Atlanta, called at noon today and said that through a confidential source, Atlanta had learned of a conversation between Martin Luther King and Walter Fauntroy, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) representative in Washington. This conversation disclosed a meeting which is to be held on Thursday afternoon, 10/8/64, with Cardinal Spellman at the Cardinal's Chancellery in New York. The meeting is scheduled to include several church leaders and the names of Rabbi Eisenrode (phonetic) and Dr. Eugene Carson Blake of the Presbyterian Church were mentioned. The purpose of this meeting is to obtain the concurrence of Cardinal Spellman to a statement which is being drawn up urging all church members to participate in the coming elections. King expressed some concern concerning what he referred to as Cardinal Spellman's conservatism and whether he would join in the statement.

This is for information.

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- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
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- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
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Reference Atlanta airtel to the Bureau dated August 21, 1964, and Baltimore airtels to the Bureau dated August 27, 1964, and September 17, 1964.

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On September 30, 1964, [REDACTED] Baltimore, Maryland, advised that a thorough search of alphabetical listings and room designations for the period August 20-25, 1964, failed to disclose the identity of caller, who placed long-distance phone call to MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., in Atlanta, from Room Number 712, Telephone Number 685-3500, a trunk line of the Holiday Inn (Downtown) Baltimore.

- ⑤ - Bureau { 3 - 100-3-116 } (CIRM) (REGISTERED MAIL)
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  - { 1 - 100-106070 } (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
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- 2 - Richmond (REGISTERED MAIL) (ENCLOSURE 1)
- 3 - Atlanta { 1 - 100-6520A } (CIRM) (REGISTERED MAIL)
  - { 1 - 100-5718 } (SCLC)
  - { 1 - 100-5588 } (MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.)
- 2 - Baltimore

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[REDACTED] advised b7(c)  
that all Folios for month of August containing registration data  
and telephone toll charges have been forwarded to the American  
Motor Inns, 22 E. Campbell Street, Roanoke, Virginia, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] She suggested that it is possible b7(d)  
to identify the person registered in Room 712 from data on  
Folio.

Richmond requested to check folios for Holiday Inn  
(Downtown) Baltimore, at Roanoke headquarters of American Motor  
Inns. A copy of referenced Baltimore airtel dated August 27,  
1964, is forwarded to Richmond for information.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE 9-17-64

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

- 1-Mr. Belmont
- 1-Mr. Mohr
- 1-Mr. DeLoach
- 1-Mr. Sullivan
- 1-Mr. Bland
- 1-Mr. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
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The "Washington Post and Times Herald" contained a small article in today's edition stating that Martin Luther King, Jr., had announced through his office in Atlanta that he had been granted an audience with Pope Paul VI to take place on Friday, 9-18-64, at which time he hopes to discuss the racial situation in the United States with the Pope.

You will recall that several weeks ago, when we first learned of King's intention to travel abroad, we anticipated the possibility of King's asking for an audience with the Pope and arranged to have Assistant Director Malone of the New York Office contact ██████████ to see if appropriate action could not be taken to prevent such an audience. Malone did brief ██████████ in the matter and told us ██████████ had in fact called the Vatican immediately after being contacted by Malone.

Malone was contacted telephonically today to see if he could shed any further light on the report that King was to have an audience with the Pope. He contacted ██████████ was told that ██████████

██████████ had spoken personally several weeks ago by telephone to ██████████ the Vatican and had strongly recommended that no audience be granted King because of very serious but highly confidential information which had come to his attention but which he could not discuss in detail over the telephone.

Malone was asked to determine if there possibly could have been a slip-up so that the Pope did not actually receive ██████████ warning. He was advised by ██████████ that with the information being furnished to ██████████ the Vatican it would ██████████ to furnish the information directly to the Pope and that there was every assurance the Pope had received the information. ██████████ advised Malone today that it is possible that arrangements for such an audience had already been made and could not be

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canceled without embarrassment or it is equally possible that the Pope, viewing King's important role in racial matters in the United States, decided to overrule the recommendation not to meet with King.

Malone was advised [REDACTED] that the matter would again be delicately brought [REDACTED] attention.

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Malone is to keep us advised as soon as he learns anything additionally pertinent.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

*J. J. [unclear]*  
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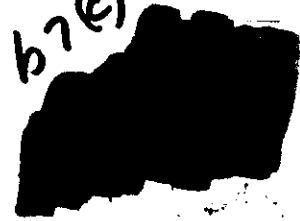
VATICAN CITY--THE REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., THE AMERICAN NEGRO LEADER, WILL GO TO THE VATICAN TONIGHT FOR A PRIVATE AUDIENCE WITH POPE PAUL VI.

VATICAN OFFICIALS THREW A CURTAIN OF SECRECY AROUND THE MEETING. THE VATICAN HAS A STANDING POLICY OF DISCRETION ABOUT PAPAL MEETINGS WITH RELIGIOUS LEADERS OF OTHER DEMONINATIONS.

KING, A LEADER OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES, IS A BAPTIST. IT WAS HE WHO FIRST DISCLOSED NEWS OF THE AUDIENCE.

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# Dr. King to See Pope, Hopes for Racism Stand

VATICAN CITY, Sept. 18 (AP).—Dr. Martin Luther King said today he hoped Pope Paul VI would follow up their meeting with a statement reiterating the Roman Catholic Church's stand against racism. The Pope was to receive the American Negro leader in private audience late today. Dr. King said in an interview with the Rome Daily American: "Of course, I hope that the Pope will see fit to release a statement about our talk. The Roman Catholic Church has already let its opposition to racism be known and it has been of great help to us in our work."


Dr. King also said he was concerned with the large metropolitan areas in the Northern United States "where the Roman Catholic Church is a powerful factor in the attitude of the people." Dr. King is a co-pastor with his father of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta. He also heads the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, a militant civil rights organization.

Pope Paul—as well as the late Pope John—had repeatedly advocated racial equality and decried racial strife.

"But I think if every individual Catholic were made aware of the church's stand by the Pope, it would be of great assistance to the civil rights movement in the future."

The Pope's response may never be disclosed by the Vatican. Often the Vatican issues statements after private audiences. Often it doesn't. But the fact that the Pope agreed to receive Dr. King will be taken in many quarters as a new sign that he sympathizes with the civil rights mission.

After Dr. King's arrival in Rome Wednesday, a statement issued in his name by his office in Atlanta, Ga., said he would discuss with the pontiff the role

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RE:

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September 28, 1964

[Redacted]

Chicago 22, Illinois

Dear [Redacted]

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Your letter of September 16th, with enclosure, has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, regulations of the Department of Justice pertaining to the confidential nature of the information contained in FBI files preclude my commenting as you suggested. I regret it is not possible to be of assistance in this instance but trust you will understand the necessary reasons for this policy.

Sincerely yours,

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. Kent Courtney is the publisher of "The Independent American." It is allegedly dedicated to the defeat of socialist and communist influences and to promote individuals and organizations which believe that a political party based on constitutional states rights is the answer to socialism. Neither Courtney or his publication has been investigated by the FBI. Courtney's paper indicates he is a rabble rouser and a hate monger and has urged the impeachment of Earl Warren, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

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September 16, 1964

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, DC

Attention of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am enclosing an article that was sent to me from the Augusta  
Courier dated July 8, 1963 regarding Martin Luther King.

I was wondering if your department could tell me if these are  
facts, printed by Mr. Kent Courtney, publisher, of the Augusta  
Courier.

Very truly yours

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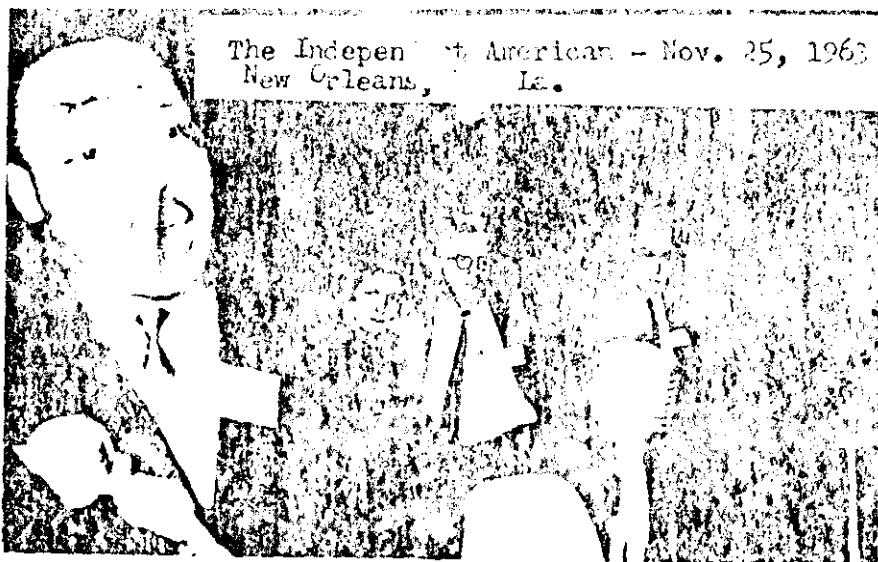
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6th Annual Conference of S.C.E.F. Birmingham, Ala.  
Sept. 25-28, 1962  
M.L. King, Jr. responding to Anne Braden's speech  
In background, A.B. Carl Braden, Dir.  
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## Now What Was That About No Red Connections, Martin Luther King?

BY KENT COURTNEY, PUBLISHER

The Communist Party, U.S.A. has been put on the defensive in New Orleans as the result of the operation of the Louisiana Subversive Control Law.

Readers will recall that in the last issue of THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN we carried a feature story concerning the raid made on October 4 by Louisiana State Police on the headquarters of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, Inc.

The SCEF has been officially labeled as a Communist-front organization by two Congressional committees, and James A. Dombrowski, the Executive Director of the SCEF, was identified as a Communist before the Senate Sub-committee on Internal Security on March 18, 1954.

The raid on SCEF headquarters obtained for the State of Louisiana evidence concerning the activities of this Communist-

front organization. The material collected was first transported to a State Police warehouse in Baton Rouge. However, legal possession was transferred to the Senate Committee on Internal Security when the evidence was subpoenaed by Senator James Eastland of Mississippi, Chairman of

the Subcommittee.

Dombrowski, acting for the SCEF, has attempted to regain possession of his files and records in both State and Federal Courts. He has entered suits to obtain injunctions preventing the copying of the evidence by the State Police and the Senate Committee.

Fortunately, the State Police and the investigators of the Louisiana Joint Legislative Committee on Un-American Activities and the staff of the Senate Committee on Internal Security have had ample time, since October 4, to go through the evidence and make copies of pertinent portions.

The Louisiana anti-Communist committee held a hearing on November 8th, in which certain evidence was made part of the public domain. Below is the first publication of this particular evidence.

Above is shown Martin Luther King, the head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference which has been in the forefront in racial and civil rights agitation, not only throughout the South but the nation. Below the photo is a reproduction of (See RED CONNECTIONS... Page 6

The notation found on the back of the original photograph which indicates that three identified Communists, Anne and Carl Braden and James E. Dombrowski, were among the principal speakers, along with Martin Luther King, at the Sixth Annual Conference of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference at Birmingham, Alabama, September 25-28, 1962. In James Dombrowski's handwriting written for M. L. King, Jr., responding to Anne Braden's speech. In background, AB (Anne Braden), Carl Braden, JAD (James A. Dombrowski). The figures 6070 are evidently the State's document number, indicating the extent of the evidence found in Dombrowski's files. Anne and Carl Braden are identified Communists. Carl Braden was convicted of sedition under Kentucky laws, and is the publisher of the official newspaper of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, "The Southern Patriot."

Although Martin Luther King, Jr., proudly claims no Red connections, the above picture may be well worth a thousand words of refutation of King's claims.

Not strangely since the records of the SCEF have been in the possession of the Louisiana authorities, racial agitation in the South has been reduced considerably. Responsible authorities informed THE INDEPENDENT AMERICAN that the SCEF was probably one of the key centers for dissemination of literature connected with the various public demonstrations in which Martin Luther King has been a key figure.

FBI Dir. Hoover told Congress 10/22/64: "The Communist Party is attempting to use the Negro movement, as it does everything else, to promote its own interest rather than the welfare of those to whom it directs its agitation & propaganda; (and) to exploit the militant forces of the Negro civil-rights movement. The old Communist principle still holds: 'Communism must be built with non-Communist hands.' We do know that the Communist influence does exist in the Negro movement & it is this influence which is vitally important. It can be the means through which large masses are caused to lose perspective on the issues involved and, without realizing it, succumb to the party's propaganda lures." Mr. Hoover wrote: 10/24/60: "If a Minister can be influenced to keep silent about the dangers of Communism, the party has gained." (Christianity Today)

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THE AUGUSTA COURIER JULY 5, 1963 (Augusta, Georgia)

# MARTIN LUTHER KING... AT COMMUNIST TRAINING SCHOOL



The above picture was made by an employee of the State of Georgia, at the Highlander Folk School in Monteagle, Tennessee during the Labor Day week-end of 1957. The photographer was sent to the Highlander Folk School by the Georgia Commission on Education. The Highlander Folk School was abolished by an act of the Legislature of the State of Tennessee at a later date because it was charged with being a subversive organization.

Those numbered in the picture are:

1. Martin Luther King, Jr., of the Montgomery boycott and the Birmingham riots. Karl Prussion, a counterspy for the FBI for twenty-two years, charges that Martin Luther King belongs to sixty Communist-front organizations — more than any Communist in the United States.
2. Abner W. Berry of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.
3. Aubrey Williams, President of the Southern Conference Education Fund, Inc., The Transmission Belt in the South for the Communist Party.
4. Myles Horton, Director of Highlander Folk School for Communist Training, Monteagle, Tennessee.

These "Four Horsemen" of racial agitation have brought tension, disturbance, strife

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Dear [Redacted]

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Your letter of September 24th has been received.

While I would like to be of assistance with regard to your inquiry concerning Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the other questions you asked, information contained in the files of the FBI must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. In view of this, I am sure you will understand why I cannot make any comment regarding the subjects of your inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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October 21, 1964

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am writing you in connection with the Rev. Luther King, Jr.

Is an American Communist? (The information has been furnished to you for his efforts in the past few days.) On the other hand, I have read some information about him about his Communist connections. He is a member of more than thirty Communist front organizations. The organization of which he is a member, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, is a Communist front organization.

Is Dr. King a Communist? If not, how is he leaning toward Communism? Is he a member of more than thirty Communist front organizations? Is the Southern Christian Leadership Conference a Communist front organization? What exactly is a Communist front organization?

Thank you for your hard work and reply.

Sincerely,  
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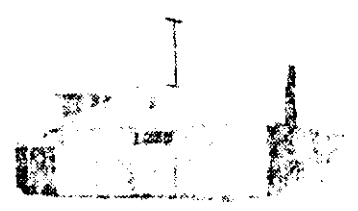
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